VII.

THE FIERY TRIGON REVIVED: or TRIGGE VPON TRIGON.

BY THE

Five Oppositions of the two Superiour Planets *SATURN* and *JUPITER*, in the Years 1672, 1673.

Declaring the Manifold Miseries they Menace to the *DUTCH* Nation; which Proud People, are now in their Grand

CLIMACTERICAL YEAR.

Cum multis aliis, &c.

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Onager fœmina est, assueta deserto quæ pro desiderio animæ suæ haurit ventum, cujus occasionem quis revocet? omnes quærentes istam non fatigantur, Mensibus *ejus invenient eam.* Jer. Chap. 2, Vers. 24.

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TO THE READER.

IN *a time ſo eminently active and buſy, and wherein are ſo* great Preparations *all over* Europe, *as well at* Sea *as* Land, *that the like hath not been known ſince* Anno 1588. *he muſt needs be a very inactive Perſon, and of a* Drowſy Genious *in Earneſt, that cannot in ſome meaſure ſhew himſelf.*

When the Land *of my* Nativity *is publickly concerned, I cannot (methinks) with Patience continue in an* impleaſant Solitude; *or, reſt ſatisfied with doing nothing, but drinking a Health to the Proſperity of his Majeſties* Royal Navy, *and a Complemental wiſhing* Great Britain *the better of her* Inſolent Enemies: *conceiving my ſelf bound (upon ſo grand an Occaſion) to appear, though unſummon'd, according to the beſt of my Power and Skill, in its Defence. And, if occaſion require, ſhould as freely ſpend my Blood, as now my Ink, in my King and Countries Cauſe; and, I believe it every* true Engliſh-Mans *duty ſo to do.*

But, all are not born *to uſe the* Sword. Hermes *well conſtituted, doth as* good ſervice *in his place, as* Mavors. *And the* Hand *cannot ſay to the* Brain, I have

no need of thee. *The* Pen *is sometimes found as great an* Encourager, *as the* Trumpet: *And* Cicero's *tongue, may do as suitable service to a* Kingdom, *as* Hannibals *Whinyard.* --- *And, Oh! that my* Parts *were equal to my* Will, *how much better then, should I have prosecuted the following* Theam, *having the* Heavens *and* Truth *for my Subject?*

I am serious, if there be any Verity in Starry Influences, *and my* Minerva *not much benighted, without the assistance of* Prophecy, *I may be bold to predict*, That his Majesty of *Great Britain* must certainly prosper in this Glorious War now undertaken against the Dutch Nation. --- *When his Gracious Majesty did command the* Proclaiming of his displeasure against the *United Provinces, for their* Insolencies *and* Cruelties, *&c.* Mars, *the Patron of War and Victory,* (*and* Englands Planet *also,*) *was in* Capricorn, *truly termed of Astrologers his* Exaltation. *But,* Jupiter (*ill dignified*) *the Patron of the* Netherlands, *was in* Detriment, Retrograde, *and near* Cauda Draconis. *To the* English Nation, *it was* Bonum Principium; *to the* Hollander *it was* Malum *at the* beginning, *and, according to Natural Causes, cannot but be so at the* End. *But I keep thee too long in the Porch.*

Farewel.

April, 23. 1672.

T. T.

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AN
ASTROLOGICAL DEMONSTRATION
of the approaching Ruine of the DUTCH.

MAny have endeavoured to interpret the Intentions of the Stars towards theſe *Europeian* Countries at this time; and to explain the ſignifications and meaning of the great Conjunction of ♄ and ♃ in ♐, 1663. and other Concomitant Configurations: together with the five Oppoſitions of the ſame Planets in this Year, 1672. and the following Year. But in my opinion, very little, or nothing at all to the purpoſe.

Our Engliſh Aſtrologers being ſo ſparing upon this ſo eminent an occaſion; I have enquired after the Learned *Placentinus*, *Serarius*, *Voiola*, and ſome other Foraign Aſtrologers, their Works or Opinions upon theſe matters. --- But, behold, nothing either from them, or any other is to be found, ſave a Ridiculous and Contradictory Prophecy, * certainly made here in *England*, not worthy the name it bears, or any ingenious Mans peruſal.

Troubled I was hereat, that the Stars (*whoſe* * *ſound*

* The *Boars* Prophecy, very frequent every where to be ſeen.

* *Pſal.* 19. v. 2.

ſound or voice are heard to the uttermoſt parts of the Earth) ſhould now be thought ſilent, and accordingly I took Pen in hand, to examine thoſe unuſual Configurations, thereby to diſcover what they may Naturally portend.

And here (Good Reader pardon me) if I but preſent you in brief with that (which if time prevent me not) I may hereafter handle more Copiouſly. For you muſt know, that thoſe grand Cœleſtial Configurations have relation to ſeveral matters or things beſides Wars. As change of Government, alterations in, and additions to, and extirpations of Laws, Cuſtoms, Religions, Hereſies, Schiſms, New Diſcoveries, Plantations of Colonies, *&c.* although we muſt acknowledge War to be the *Cauſa ſine quâ non*, proximate at leaſt, of theſe and ſuch like Changes.

But becauſe I would not be thought (like the Delphick Oracle, or any *Merlyn* whatever,) to ſpeak in Miſts and Clouds, I will premiſe this particular method to purſue in the following diſcourſe, *viz.*

I. *Of the five Oppoſitions of* Saturn *and* Jupiter, *and what they particularly intend to* Holland, *and the* United Provinces, *&c.*

II. *That, by the Order of Cœleſtial Influence, the* United Provinces *are not deſigned to inſult over, but truckle under* England.

III. *Sundry remarkable Aſtrological Predictions, touching the State of* Holland *about this time.*

CHAP.

CHAP. I.

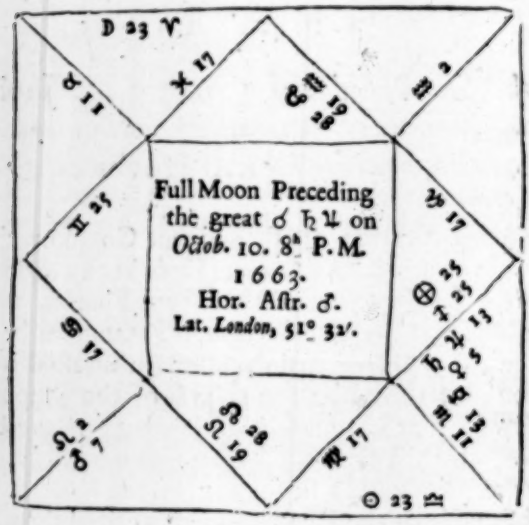
Of the five Oppoſitions of Saturn *and* Jupiter, *and what they particularly intend towards* Holland, *and the* United Provinces, *&c.*

BEfore I mention thoſe eminent Configurations, it is requiſite to caſt mine Eyes backward upon the great Conjunction of thoſe two Planets, *Octob.* 10. 1663. in ♐. A Conjunction ſo Famous, as begining the *Fiery Trigon* again, after an unuſual interruption, that the like (in reſpect of the Stupendious Effects that have attended it) hath never been known, at leaſt this 800. years, nay poſſibly, not ſince the (ſuppoſed) beginning of the World.

Obſerve how the Heavens were poſited then, and at the Full Moon preceding.

☉.	☽.	♄.	♅.	♂.	♀.	☿.	☊.
27.♎.	17.♊.	13.♐.	10.♑.	7.♐.	18.♏.	27.♑.	

Aſtrologers



Astrologers call ♐ a double-bodied sign, as placed between a fixed and a moveable one; and, let me ask the World, have not the consequent Effects thereof been By-Corporeal too? what Prodigious Conflagrations in sundry parts of *Europe*? what astonishing Plagues? what Naumachyes, and Bloody Battels at Land, since that time? I need not mention particulars, they are yet fresh in every Mans Memory, and, will scarce be worn out of the general memory, until Time shall be no more.

The *Grecian* Miseries in the three and twenty years *Peloponnesian* Wars, *&c.* (though terrible enough in themselves,) were but minute Afflictions to what hath befallen *Europe* since that Conjunction;

as any may find, though they read *Thucidides* with the greateſt Candor and Severity.

But now, as theſe Planets were thus eminently operative by this their Conjunction in a Kingly Fiery Sign, (which certainly heightned their Effects: for ſeldom do their Conjunctions in other Signs ſtimulate ſuch vigorous and powerful Influences) ſo their Triple Quadrate, which ſucceeded it *Anno* 1667. and * 1668. did not meanly make Additions thereunto. The former happening from ♈ and ♎, Signs obviating the *Netherlands* Horoſcope; and the two latter being celebrated in fixed Signs; as may be ſeen in the *Ephemerides* of thoſe years.

* *June* 17. 1667. *Nov.* 7. 1667. *April* 3. 1668.

Nor were theſe Conjunctional and Quadrantal Configurations, the abſolute and alone Cauſes of ſo great and remarkable Actions, and Effects, *&c.* but the ſeveral Eclipſes, and Conjunctions, and Aſpects of the other Planets had their Influences too, and did Co-operate with them; and this the more or leſs conſiderably, as they happen'd to fall in, or near, the prime parts of the Heavens in that famous * Conjunction.

Neither is it of mean concernment, that at the time of that great Conjuction, the Moon was in ☌ both of ♄ and ♆ and ♂ in △ unto them *â dignitatibus Solis*; and in their ſecond quadrate ♂ was in ☌ ♆ and □ ♄ in ♍ R. --- *Mars* ſignifies Wars, Houſe-burnings, and Conflagrations of Towns and Cities; and when he is R. in ♍; why may he not prolong the one, and increaſe the other?

* I do not mean in the Figure thereof; that I have told the World in ſeveral things of mine is impoſſible to be Obtained.

What a mixture of contrary Natures and Qualities have we here?

Saturn, Cold and Dry, Earthy.
Jupiter, Hot and Moiſt, Airy.

Mars, Hot and Dry, Fiery.
Luna, Cold and Moist, Watery.

It would puzle the understanding of any Ordinary Chymist, (Ordinary did I say? nay, of a good One in Earnest,) to seperate these several Qualities, as they are united in Influence. None but the *Grand Quercetan*, and *Chymist* of the *Universe*, even *God* himself, could do it.

And thus we had, as their proper Effects, The Pale and Ghastly Influence of ♄ in *Plagues*, and *Famine*, *&c.* in many places of *Europe*, terrible hard Winters, *&c.*

The violent and raging Effects of ♂ in Battels, Conflagrations, and a furious irruption at Mount *Ætna.*

The Moons spreading Influence, in the Rot and Destruction of Multitudes, both at Sea and Land---

And, all these opposing the mild and gentle Influences of ♃ making him Sanguinary, and cruel in his Effects, that is naturally Balsamique and preserving.

And, so I come to the Quintuple Oppositions of those Planets, now in very great force.

1. ☍ of ♄ and ♃. The first ☍ of ♄, ♃ happened *Oct.* 26. 1671. eight years compleat from the Conjunction of them, and sixteen days over. The Planets opposing are in exact □ to the place of their ♂, as if thereby were intended a re-inforcement of those dreadful significations the great ♂ did menace poor Mortals withal.

And at the New Moon preceding this ♂, there happens a forced sign to ascend the Horoscope. and ♀ Lady thereof in ♐ *cum Corde Scorpionis*, a Noble fixed Star, in □ of ♄ and ♃, which Planets are therein found in

♂.

♂ from Cadent parts of the Heavens, *viz.* the 12. and 6. Houſes: and the New ☽ is celebrated in the 6. Houſe likewiſe. Behold the Poſitions of Heaven at the ♂, and the Lunation alſo.

☉.	☽.	♄. R.	♅.	♂.	♀.	☿.	☊.
13. ♍.	24. ♐.	13. ♓.	13. ♏.	14. ♎.	10. ♐.	30. ♎.	22. ♓.

The Aſcendant of *Holland* is here in the 4. Houſe, *viz.* the Grave; the Moon herein with ☉ in the 6. Houſe, and at the ♂ in ♐ the 8. Houſe herein, *viz.* the houſe of Death.

What Judgments would their own Aſtrologers give upon ſuch Poſitions? Lord God! what ſad and diſmal days are approaching that willful people? what Wars, Plagues, Inundations, Rot of the vulgar,

Bondage, Slavery, Contentions, Treachery? *&c.* *Death* and the *Grave* is the ultimate portion that they muſt expect, even by this very ☌ of ♄ and ♅, and the New ☽ preceding the ſame.

I delight not in theſe *Predictions.* I wiſh, That Nations Carriage and Behaviour had been fuller of *Gratitude* and *Humanity* toward our Gracious (and hard to be provoked) *Soveraign* Lord, then ſhould I have had no cauſe for this *Celeſtial Inquiry.*

To conſider it a little further, *Mars, Englands* Significator both at the *Lunation*, and in this eminent ♂ is in ✶ of ♀, and in reception of ♄ the higheſt of the *Erratick* Stars, both having Dignities in the *Medium Cœli* ---- *England* therefore (though unjuſtly provoked to theſe *Diſturbances*) will, by Gods bleſſing, be ſucceſsful and victorious over her moſt powerful *Enemies*, and the greateſt *Antagoniſts* ſhe can meet with.

I wiſh and pray, that upon ♄ his approach into ♈ again, we may not be ſo unfortunately indiſcreet, as for our Noble *Commanders* and Gallant *Neptunes* to to envy and interfere with one another. If any *Emulation* be among them, let it be in, who ſhall go furtheſt (*Prudence* and good *Conduct* being obeyed) toward the oppoſing of our ſeemingly ſecure *Enemies*, who are apt to take advantage by our *Diviſions.*

Nothing can injure us, and encourage our *Adverſaries* more, than a *Diſunion* among our ſelves.

It would take up too much room and time, to enlarge upon ſo copious a *Theme.* I therefore haſten to-----

The Second ☌ of ♄ and ♅.

2. ☌ of ♄ and ♅.

The Heavens are thus posited therein, and at the Full Moon preceding the same.

☉.	☽.	♄.	♅. R.	☌.	♀.	☿.	♂.
7. ♎.	26. ♐.	17. ♓.	17. ♍.	8. ♐.	20. ♐.	25. ♎.	18. ♓.

In this second ☌ of ♄ and ♅, *January* 16. 1672. ♄ is direct, and ♅ R. with ☽, and ☿ is in □ of both.

In the Full Moon preceding this ☌, the Figure of Heaven is almost the same, as was that of the New Moon preceding the first ☌ of them. The Opposition of the Lights is from Angles and Cardinal Signs; the Opposition

Oppoſition of the two Superiors is from Cadent parts of the Heavens, and from double-bodied Signs.

The ☽ in the former Figure was in the 6. houſe; in this ſhe is in the 4th. In the former ſhe was combuſt of the ☉; in this ſhe is oppoſed by him: ♄ governs the hour.

The Judgment Aſtrological ariſing hence, is------ That the *Netherlands* (for I cannot ſtand now, to examine it to all particulars it relates unto) will be forſaken by moſt of their *Confederates*; and they that pretend moſt to be their *Friends*, will become either *Neutral* in relation to them, or their abſolute downright *Enemies*. Do they hope for any Aſſiſtance from *Denmark*, *Sweden*, the *German* Emperour, *&c.* they are deceived? Both ♃ and the ☽ (the Significators of *Holland*) are oppoſed and oppreſſed by the *Sun* and *Saturn*. The ☉ is *ſignificator Regum & Imperatorum*, and is therefore their Enemy. ♄ which is *Superiorum Altiſſimus*, is their Enemy alſo. *As if God Almighty by the Stars, did ſeem thereby, to inſpire the ſacred Breaſts of Kings and Princes againſt not only this proud People, but even againſt the very Model of a State-Government.*

May I (without incurring Cenſure) turn a little aſide from Aſtrology? Then I ſay, it is indeed ſomewhat ſcandalous, that ſo ſmall a Democracy ſhould out-noſe ſo many glorious Princes round about them. And for them to ſuffer it, is (with all ſubmiſſion I ſpeak it) not only to undervalue, but render *Monarchy* cheap and contemptible, which is in it ſelf moſt certainly the very beſt Government in the World, and the moſt like unto the *Primitive Pattern* of all Government, even *God* himſelf.

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We have but one Sun in the Heavens, one Heart in the *Microcosm*; which brings to my mind those true and pithy Verses long since wrote by Captain *George Wharton*. Viz.

The Rational Soul *performs a* Princes *part*;
She Rules *the* Body *by* Monarchick *Art*:
Poor Cranes, *and silly* Bees, *with shivering wings*,
Observe their Leaders, *and* Obey *their* Kings.
Nature *her self disdains a* Crowded Throne;
The Body's Monstrous *ha's more* Heads *than* One.

Calend. Eccles. Anno 1658.

Neither let any man object to me, the *Honour* and *Grandeur* of the *Roman* Government for an Instance of *Democracy*. For the *Consular* Power was *Monarchical*; each making his own *Law*, which was ever after binding to the *People*.

Godw. Antiquities, p. 120.

To whom was ever *Cæsar* accountable for any *Action* or *Attempt* he ever performed with the thirty *Legions* he had under his *Command*? The *Senate* being not his *Masters*, but *Counsellors* and *Advisers*; and still welcomed him home with *Laurels*; never at any time denying him the *Supplies* he demanded. Nor had he ever any opposition from them, until his cruel *Fate* saluted him (the *Ides* of *March* being come) with their treacherous *Daggers*.

Where *Cæsar* was stiled by the Senate, *Pater Patriæ, Consul in Decennium, Dictator in perpetuum, Sacrosanctus, & Imperator. vide* also, *p.* 123. *cap.* 12. *de Dictatore.*

And here it may not be impertinent to remember, in honor of this present deserving *Theme*, the divers *Reasonings*, and unanimous resolution of the *Persian* Princes after the death of *Cambyses*, at the Election of *Darius*.

Prince *Otanes* moved against a *Monarch*, urging the Cruelties of *Cambyses*; saying, it was not safe to give all Power to any *One*, seeing *Greatness* it self, even in

Vide Sir *W. R. lib.* 3. *cap.* 4. *Sect.* 4. *p.* 38.

in good men, doth often infect the mind with vices, *&c.*

Megabyſes, another of their Princes, was of another opinion, and contrariwiſe affirms---- That the *Tyranny* of a multitude was thrice more intolerable, than that of *One*. For the multitude do all things without judgment, run into buſineſs and affairs with precipitation, like raging and overbearing *Floods*.

Darius, he perſwades to the Creation of a *King*: becauſe even among few *Diuturnity* of Concord is ſeldom found; and in great *Empires* it doth ever happen, that the Diſcord of many *Rulers* hath inforced the Election of one *Supreme*. But leaving this *Poetical* Diſcourſe, as not peculiarly proper for the Pen of an *Aſtrologer*, we turn to our Subject again.

3 ☌ of ♄ and ♅.

The Third ☌ of ♄ *and* ♅.

This ☌ will be on *September* 12. 1672. The Poſition of the Heavens thereat, and at the New Moon preceding are thus.

☉.	☽.	♄.	♅ R.	♂.	♀.	☿.	☊
0. ♎.	16. ♎.	10. ♈.	10. ♎.	14. ♓.	4. ♎.	26. ♎.	5. ♓

At

At this Oppoſition ♄ is direct, and ♅ Retrograde, and ♐ in the place of ♅ in the firſt ☌; and the ☽ in △ to her place in the great ☌ 1663. and four Planets diſpoſed of by ♀, as if near this time many endeavours would be uſed for a right underſtanding of differences; Peace eminently laboured for, and purſued; ſatisfaction offered; and what not?

In the New Moon Figure we find the Planets oppoſing, in Angles, the Luminaries in Angles, in ☌ of ♄ and ☌ ♅, the Figure it ſelf in △ unto the two former, the ☉ rules the Hour. By this time I ſay again, the Inſolency of the *Dutch* ſeems to be abated, and they appear willing to propoſe Terms of *Accommo-*

dation to their *Royal* Neighbours, whom they have injured, being now very desirous of peace and quietness.

Cosmogr. pag. 339. This year is of dangerous tendency unto them in earnest; and if (as my Author saith) they were *Anno* 1584. truly miserable, and surely in this year much more miserable will they be, being menaced with *Differences* among their *Superiors*, and *Mutinies* among the *Multitude*, clashings and oppositions between their *Military* and *Civil Officers* [♃ is in ☌] their *Councils* unprosperous, Treachery in their *Conducts*, &c.

I assure them, and the whole World, I speak no more than what the Heavens pronounce. They are in their grand *Climacterick*, if you reckon from the time they first were owned as a *Government* or *People* distinct from the *Spaniard*, their *quondam* and rightful *Soveraign*; which was *Anno* 1609. And Countries and Nations have their ill *Directions*, unhappy *Climaxes*, and *Revolutional Changes* as well as *Persons*.

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One among us, would have all Comets return every 100. years; and Mr. *Auzout*, would have them return every 12. years; but, both these *Vertuosi* are out in their reckoning, as you may find, by consulting the History of Comets.

I meddle not with the *Centenary* returns of *Comets*, nor yet with the pretended *Duodenary Circle* of them, neither *Nature* nor *Reason* warranting such suggestions, but indeed the direct contrary, as I can easily make appear. For in this *Discourse* I study not prolixity, but brevity; and that is the reason I pass over so many things, with saying so little of them.

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The Fourth ☌ of ♄ and ♅.

4. ☌ of ♄ and ♅.

The fourth ☌ of ♄ and ♅ will be on *April* 20. 1673. And the Heavens will be thus posited.

☉.	☽.	♄.	♅. R.	♂.	♀.	☿.	☊.
11. ♉.	4. ♍.	10. ♈.	10. ♎.	27. ♊.	25. ♊.	1. ♊.	23. ♒.

Herein the fiery Planet ♈ is returned to the place of the ☽ in the great ☌ of ♄ and ♅ 1663. as if the fiery Fate, of which that ☌ was certainly the Precursor and Presager, were returning again. God preserve all Kingdoms and Cities subject to ♈ and ♊ from so grand and irrepulsable an Enemy. For surely,

ly, not only the Planets themſelves have their Returns, as upon finiſhing their ſeveral Circles, or by revolving to particular Radixes, &c. but Conflagrations, Earthquakes, Inundations, Hereſies, Plagues, *&c.* had we but the skill to find them out.

In his *New Org.* and *Eſſays*, *&c.*

And this is no Novel notion in the *Phænomena* of the Heavens, or of Nature at large; nor yet much contrary to the Noble Lord *Verulams* Philoſophy; perhaps the thing it ſelf at which he worthily aimed.

Now, although this very ♂ do very really menace *Holland*, &c. their Aſcendant being Deſcendant at the Full ☽ preceding, and the oppoſition it ſelf in □ to their Horoſcope; doing them poſſibly, as much or more prejudice, than they ſuſtained *Anno* 1568. at which time the Inquiſition was impoſed upon them---- Yet I muſt tell you, it hath relation to other Countries alſo, *viz.* all thoſe under ♏, ♐, ♈, ♎: what they are, ſee the Books of Aſtrology that mention them, as *Origanus*, *Argol*, the Doctrine of Nativities, *&c.*

An Inquiſition is likely now to be made among them for Blood, and Treachery, Ingratitude, and Scandal, *&c.*

Thoſe Aſtrologers ſpeak moſt true, that ſay *Holland*, &c. From their firſt Foundation or Erection, are not to laſt an 100 years, which time is now nearly expired; their Revolt from their Natural Liege-Lord the King of *Spain*, being in *Anno* 1580.

☽. the *Hylech*, or *Alchocoden*, of the *Hollanders*.

If ♋ be their Aſcendant, it may be their *Hylech* too, and then the ☽ muſt needs be their *Alchocoden*. Her greateſt years (when free from impediment) are but 108 which (*rebus ſic ſtantibus*) ſhe can never hope to reach unto.

The ☽ is a Planet mutable and uncertain in her Nature; ſoon quick, ſoon ſlow; ſoon on this ſide of the

the Ecliptick, ſoon on the other; ſoon in *Apogæo*, ſoon in *Perigæo*; ſoon with one Planet, ſoon with another. And thus alſo, hath this fickle and inconſtant Nation been in her Government and Trade; and, I was about to ſay, in her Religion too (although I hear of late, they have arrived unto ſome partil perfection in the Canting Art; a Syſtem of Saintſhip, which might reaſonably teach them to abuſe *Kings*. Sometimes they are poor and humble *States*, at other times the *High* and *Mighty Hogens*, &c. Sometimes rich, ſometimes poor; ſometimes of the *Catholick* Profeſſion, ſometimes of none, ſome of every *Religion*. So that at length it became a Proverb, by which their *Piety* is well expreſſed and underſtood---- *If any man had loſt his Religion, they might find it in* Amſterdam. And ſo I come to the fifth and laſt ☌ of ♄ and ♅.

Which will be on *Auguſt* the 6. 1673. the Heavens being both then, and at the New Moon preceding, in this poſture, or Poſition.

☉.	☽.	♄. R.	♅.	♂.	♀.	☿.	☊.
24. ♌.	20. ♎.	15. ♈.	15. ♎.	4. ♏.	11. ♑.	17. ♏.	18. ♒.

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In this Oppoſition ♄ is Retrograde, and ♅ direct in motion. In the preventional New ☽ we find them in ☌ from the Aſcendant and ſeventh Angles.

If Tropical Signs are, not only more eminent, but more turbulent too, than are other Signs, this laſt ☌ will be as famous in its Effects, as any of the other four. And I conceive, the propinquity of ♅ to the 9. Houſe in the laſt Figure, and the great and Angular reception between ♅ and ♀ in this, will ſpend or pour down their benefick Influences in, and upon Affairs Religious and Civil; and this in ſome eminent manner. ♅ is direct, and ſtrong in the Aſcendant; ♀ is ſo too in the Midheaven. ♄ the natural Enemy to all things good and preſerving, is in his Fall,

Fall, Retrograde, and there likely to continue; and let him be ſo ſtill.

Hence many *Laws*, both *Religious* and *Civil*, will receive beginnings; and many already in force, will be ſubject to *Alterations*, and *Reſtrictions*, ſome others to *Obliterations*, &c. Many *Back-ſliders* in *Religion* will turn to their *Original obedience*, and find it unſafe any longer to build upon *Sand*, and the Church of *England* will recover her former *Claritude*.

I have great ground to believe, that before the Effects of theſe Oppoſitions be fully over, the perſon of a *Rebel* or *Heretick* will be as hard to be found, as now they are frequent and common. The *Rebel* will become a good *Subject* to his *Soveraign*, the *Heretick* will become a good *Chriſtian*, and flye with earneſtneſs into the embraces of his *Alma Mater*. And all ſorts of perſons of all degrees will begin to ſtudy things good and preſerving. The *Deſtructive Angel* that hath ſo long bewitched the World, is retiring; and a more peaceable *Ambaſſador* is aſſuming his place. What ſhall I ſay? Holland, *as* Holland *will ſcarce ever live to ſee* ♄ *his return into* ♋ *any more.*

Were it proper for me, and that I might not bear a miſ-interpretation for my pains, I could tell you, that the Effects of the Oppoſitions do but make way for the Influences of the next three great Conjunctions of the ſame Planets in ♌, which will happen *Anno* 1682. and 1683. in 16 18 and 20 degrees of that Sign, which of it ſelf, is Kingly, Regal, and alſo of the fiery Triplicity.

If *Origanus*, *Cardan*, and other Aſtrologers have not deceived the World, the *Chriſtian Religion* is under the ☉ and ♃. Muſt it not therefore receive ſome more

Why may we not hope, that under those 3. Conjunctions, the Christians may gain upon the *Turkish* Power, which of late years hath so unhappily prevailed against them.

more than ordinary glory under the Influences of three such famous Conjunctions, happening in the Dignities of the Sun? The Messengers of the Universe must forget their Errands to the World, if this fall not out accordingly.

What if I should tell you, that ♌ is the Horoscope of *Italy*, and of a glorious City besides? it is no more than other Astrologers have told you already. ♐ is the Ascendant of *Spain*, and ♈ the Ascendant of *England*, *France*, *Germany*, *Denmark*, &c. As Oppositions of the Planets have made breaches, Conjunctions of them may heal and unite all again. Where *Trines* are, there can be but accidental enmity, and that but for a time, it cannot continue for ever. But where *Quartils* or *Oppositions* are, Breaches there made (except God Almighty interpose) are unappeaseable, irreconcileable.

Nay, I can tell you yet further, that ♌ is a fixed noble Sign. And, whatever hath been unsetled, or subject to disturbance under these *Oppositions* in common or moveable Signs, will most certainly (according to Starry Edicts, and further I have no Commission to go) receive a setlement under those Conjunctional Influences, and several things, now Anomalous and Irregular, will be reduced to Method and good Order. And so shall Peace and Tranquillity be established to these Northern Kingdoms and Countries.

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CHAP. II.

Proving, that by the Order of the Heavens, and Celeſtial Influences, Holland *is not deſigned to Inſult over, but Truckle under* England.

IF the Celeſtial *Crab* be the Aſcendant of *Holland* and the *Netherlands*, as all Aſtrologers (their own as well as thoſe of other Nations) unanimouſly aver and conſent; then is that Nation, even by Celeſtial Order, *&c.* deſigned to truckle under the Power of *England*. *Great Britain* hath ♈ for its Horoſcope, the firſt and chief Sign of the *Zodiack*, Regal and Fiery, which made a Learned Author to ſay---- *That* Great Britain *from the beginning of the World hath been Kingly, and her Government like unto that of the Heavens.* Now ♋ is the fourth Sign; *Ergo*, nothing ſo eminent or illuſtrious as the firſt. ♈ is Maſculine and Diurnal; ♋ is Feminine, and Nocturnal. ♈ is vigorous and fiery; ♋ weak, and watry. The ☉, ♂, and ♃ receive great Dignities in ♈, none but the changeable ☽, and mild ♃ rejoyce in ♋. And therefore, by how much more noble the Element or * Nature of Fire is, beyond that of Water; or by how much a Maſculine Heat and Excellency, exceeds a Feminine Coldneſs; or the glory of the Day, or Sun, ſurpaſſes the obſcurity of the Night, and paleneſs of the Moon; by ſo much doth ♈ tranſcend ♋ in Nature and Power, and conſequently *England*, *Holland*.

Britannia ab initio Mundi ſemper fuit Regia, & Regimen illius ſimile ille Cœlorum. Howel.

* For I would not offend the ingenious Chymiſts, that are afraid to allow of Elements, and yet are willing to confeſs Natural Qualities.

Mistake me not, I mean not in comparison of the *Growth* or *Manufacture* of either Nation. For therein *England* may well disdain to compare; I mean only in respect of Celestial vigour, and as they are owned by the Heavens, which (*Sub Deo*) differences Nations in their *Customs*, *Laws*, *Manners*, *Industry*, *Continuance*, &c. and in this sense the consequence of my Argument is good, *That in the very Order of the Heavens* Holland *is both inferiour, and obedient to* England.

But, I might spare my pains for all further proof hereof, if I call but to mind, how that themselves once actually concluded so, when they sought by humble Petition for shelter under the Wings of *Englands* pious and merciful Princess Queen *Elizabeth*.

For *Anno* 1573. while under the Power of Duke *D'Alva*, being either not willing, or not able to endure the Impositions he laid upon them (and having before lost *Bril*, *Flushing*, and almost all *Holland*) they in great numbers flye their Country, some to *France*, others to *Germany*, but most to *England* for Protection. And from that time they live in great discontent, as *Poor* and *Distressed States*, scarce owned by any Nation for a People: so that it was as cruel and severe a Fate to have been in those days a *Dutchman*, as in these to be a *Jew* or *Egyptian*.

Heylin, Cosm. fol. 393.

Yet, in this their disconsolate and dejected Condition, when they could scarce live, they practise disloyalty. And *Anno* 1580. or thereabouts, they revolt from the *Spaniard*, and declare, that King *Philip* (their then Soveraign Lord) had fallen from his Government, when it was themselves that were *Apostatized* from their *Obedience*. At this time, hear-

Heylin Cosm. fol. 393.

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ing that the Duke of *Anjou* was to marry Queen *Elizabeth*, they Elect him their *Lord*.

And here by the way, since they are grown so good at scandalous Inventions, and scurrilous and abusive Pictures, I will take the boldness to re-mind them of a true Emblem of themselves in those days, that the Priest may not forget that he was once but Clerk. 'Tis this----

Belgium *is represented by a* Cow, *the King of* Spain *spurring her, the Queen of* England *feeding her, Duke* Francis *of* Anjou *pulling her back by the Tayl, but she befouled his fingers.* A Picture of the *Dutch* Nations Condition 1581.

Anno 1584. they were (saith my Author) truly miserable, desperate of pardon from their Prince; and having none to lead them, none to protect them, *&c. England* was the only Sanctuary they had now left. To which Nation they sue, offering the Queen thereof the *Soveraignty* of their *Provinces*. And She (good Lady!) not thinking they would prove the ungrateful *Snakes*, as *England* hath since found them) took them into her Bosom, cherished and protected them. Under her Wings, and by her Indulgence, they trade, thrive, and grow rich apace. She fed them well, you see. *Heylin Cosm. fol.* 339.

But, in obedience to their treacherous Natures, [The Cat will be a Cat still, metamorphose her to what shape you please] as they gather strength and Riches, they not only renounce their Fealty to *England*, but most ungratefully affront her; using unto the Subjects thereof many Barbarities, and bloody Cruelties, in requital of all her Courtesies and Favours, in owning them, when all other Nations scorned and contemned them. Witness their Carriage

at *Amboyna*, *Polleroon*, *West-Indies*, and at *Cormantine*, &c. nay, even in the King of *Englands* own Chamber, the *Downs*.

And, I doubt not (by Gods blessing) but those great and formidable Preparations now made against them, will actually, what I can but verbally make good against them, maugre all their Pride and Insolence, Perfidiousness and Ingratitude. *Viz.*

That they are Naturally by the Stars designed to stoop to, and truckle under England, *and not to insult over it, and prosper.*

Nay, so remarkably are they menaced by the Heavens, that unless they seek (and with humility too) Peace betimes, and make a satisfactory Atonement for their nefarious, unloyal, and scandalous dealings by those whom you see, have been their Preservers and Raisers-----

----The Heavens (*sub Deo*) Influencing the Hands and Hearts of our Noble and Valiant Seamen and Souldiers, will (I am assured) most strangely punish this watry mutable People; and it may be, reduce them to their former necessitous Condition at the least, if not obliviate their Names and Country for ever; giving us at length occasion to say of their best Cities, as the Poet once of *Helice* and *Buris*, Cities of *Achaia*. Viz.

Ovid. *Invenies sub aquis, & adhuc ostendere nauta*
Inclinata solent cum mœnibus oppida versis.

The Waters hide them, and the Saylers shew
Their ruin'd Walls and Steeples as they row.

Mars,

Mars, a Superiour Planet, you have heard, is *Englands* Patron or Guardian; the mutable Moon, the moſt inferiour Star in the Heavens, governeth the *Dutch* Nation. And, what if by permiſſion of their indulgent Neighbours, they have (*per fas & nefas*) gotten Riches, gay Plumes? *&c.* Muſt they therefore think, that Ingratitude is a Seed ſo delightful, that it muſt needs proſper for ever? and this too, beyond every thing that is juſt and worthy? Should but our own, and ſome other Nations, Neighbours unto them, but ceaſe watering, (*i. e.*) by their Indulgence or Connivence, the encouraging of theſe Creatures, barren of all worth naturally, though they live upon the Sea, they would quickly ceaſe to grow at all, unleſs like the Tayl of that Beaſt the Picture lately mentioned repreſents them by.

When the Peacock ſhall be ſo preſumptuous to put in to be King of the Birds, for his Plumes ſake only, let him but remember his Feet*, and then he will ſoon ſee the reaſon to give way, that the Eagle may poſſeſs his Right.

* *Ornithologie*, p. 55.

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CHAP. III.

Sundry remarkable Aſtrological Predictions touching the approaching Miſeries of the Dutch *People, near this time.*

THE Prophecy of the Riſe and Ruine of this proud People, tranſcribed from a Manuſcript of Dr. *Googe's*, &c. is of a very remarkable, but plain ſignification unto them; which being in Print already, I ſhall forbear here to mention at large. Beſides, I look upon Prophecies, and Predictions Aſtrological, to be very different. The Prophet ſpeaks by Inſpiration, the Aſtrologer from a known and Phyſical ground, conſidering the mundane Effects, as they lye embodied in their proper Cauſes.

In his *Quadrins*, Printed in *French*, and in *Latine*.

And, I wonder much, why at this time, *Noſtredame* cannot be found to ſpeak, ſince he hath been formerly ſo aptly quoted, and interpreted for, and to the ſignifying of many prodigious Matters; nay, vouched for ſome things little leſs than miraculous: as the Murder of our late Glorious *Soveraign*, the Burning of *London*, the Baniſhment of the Lord Chancellor *Hide*, *&c.* His Fame and Book are ſurely at this time both of them under ill Directions; or elſe our preſent pretended Prophets begin to be out of love with him and alſo with his Seraphick Illuminate Notions.

I ſhall begin with that Prediction of *Lucas Gauricus*,

eus, which though he hath placed upon the year 1667. doth now moſt eminently operate upon them. It is from their *Medium Cœli ad* □ *Martis*. His words are theſe---- *Multa mala decernuntur ex inopinato, & unde non ſperaverant, lites, jurgia, & mutuas ſimultates cum Martialibus, quorum odiis multa mala portenduntur: inopinatâ cum fortunarum jactura, atque dedecore, multi à magiſtratu deponentur; eorumq; hoc Anno* 1672. *tantis calamitatibus conquaſſati, ut quo ſe vertant, penitùs ignorent, prævideant ne ab Hoſtium inſidiis infligantur.* *Gauric. Lib. 2. Aſtrol. Pradict. fol.* 1329.

It is moſt true, that *Gauricus* ſpeaks this principally of their Great Ones, even of the *Hogens* themſelves: but, *if the Sheepherds be ſmitten, how ſhall the Poor ſilly Sheep Eſcape?*

To ſecond this, let them read what Mr. *Gadbury* wrote for their particular notice and warning, *Anno* * 1666. upon the great Eclipſe of the ☉ in ♋. their very Aſcendent, *viz.* * *Vix Solis, pag.* 19.

Holland and *Zealand*, you are in the firſt and chief place concern'd in this Cœleſtial Apparition, ♄ is in ☌ to your Aſcendent, the ☉ is Eclipſed in your Horoſcope; and the fiery Planet *Mars*, is in □ Aſpect unto it alſo. Your Trade is in danger of being totally Ruin'd, your Merchants of being utterly undone; your great ones are at their Wits end; and your Poor ones are ready to Mutiny for want of Bread. Make Peace with *England* betimes, or ſhortly it will be too late for you. A little more ſtruggling will reduce you from High and Mighty, to Poor and Diſtreſſed States. Let not your own Aſtrologers (as of late they have done,) flatter you with the hopes of what is never likely to happen. For, I unfeignedly

unfeignedly proteſt, all theſe (and greater) miſchiefs will befal you, unleſs you are wiſe in time, and by a Prudent and ſudden ſubmiſſion, and ſeeking of Peace, prevent it.

It is not neceſſary, that Predictions of theſe kinds ſhould happen in the very year in which their Cauſes are Obvious. For, *Corpora Cœleſtia non agunt in inſtanti, ſed cum tempore*, as *Cardan* long ſince, very wiſely Obſerved.

Cœleſt. Legatus, p. 63. And in his *Cœleſtial Ambaſſador*, Printed *Anno* 1656. even againſt this very Year, upon a ☌ of ♄ and ♂. He then predicted damage to *Holland* in theſe words, *viz.*--- *Now* Holland (*with other Nations there mention'd*) *Mourns.*

And, a little further, in the ſame Book, againſt the ſame year 1672. where briefly of the five Oppoſitions of ♄ and ♅. now mentioned, He hath theſe *Ibid. p. 98.* words. ---- *If you look narrowly, you will find, That the* Netherlands, *will hardly eſcape the malignity of theſe Oppoſitions.* And then he ſubjoins theſe Verſes.

For, Jove *and* Saturn *Changes great foretoken;*
A fiveſold Cord is not ſo eaſily broken.

And, a little after, He hath theſe Poetical expreſſions.

———*The* Dutchmen *bleed:*
Gods Judgments often come with winged ſpeed.

* In *Merl. Angl. Anno* 1654. To conclude, * Mr. *Lilly*, from the New Star in *Caſſiopeia*, predicts thus --- *If the* Hollander *amend not, a Foreigner ſhall er'e the year* 1672. *enter* Amſterdam, *and the* Hague *it ſelf.*

What ſay you now to theſe plain and poſitive predictions?

predictions? they are not feigned, but real; and to be found in each particular Book quoted.

Tremble therefore, oh ye Dutchmen! *the Hand-writing of Heaven is fixed against you.* Be wise in time, *Prudentia Major fato*; there is nothing, be it never so eminently menacing, but by a Prudent submission, and seeking of Peace in time, you may yet prevent.

If matter of Trade be objected against you, draw your Affairs into a narrower Compass; and believe it not tolerable for a little *Free-State*, (and so but of *Yesterday* in Comparison) to expatiate like *Monarchs*, which are the lively representatives, not only of the *Sun*, but of *God* himself.

If the unfitness and irrationality of your *Government* be the matter you are taxed with; submit suddenly to the Change of your *Democracy* into a *Monarchy*. It was many years since, observed by an Excellent Experienc't Scholar, and Politician, * that three things were wanting to you, to make you a happy People, *viz. A Glorious Prince*; *Unity of Religion*; *and a quiet Government.* You remember as well as I, that the *Gildermice* in the *Fable*, were neither owned by *Birds* or *Beasts.*

* Dr. *Heylin, Cosmogr.* p. 396.

If Scandals, and Scurrilous Inventions be laid to your Charge, endeavour a speedy compensation; they are Crimes most hainous, and, with none but Christians, do they admit of forgiveness; you may do well in learning for the future, not to speak evil of *Dignities.*

If Murther, Treachery, and Ingratitude, be the *Clamantia Peccata*, that have pierced the Heavens against you; Punish the Authors of them among you, either in their Persons, if alive, or in their Children

dren and Families, if Dead. It is the method of God Almighty to visit *even to the third and fourth Generation.* —— By this means ye may possibly turn away the Evil, threatned against you and your Nation, was long since foreseen to befall you, even about this very time. So shall ye pacify the justly provoked indignation of those *Mighty Monarchs*, whom *Heaven* hath stirred up at this time, to be a severe scourge of your *Ambition*, *Insolency*, *Ingratitude*, and *Treachery*.

CONCLUSION.

IF *Cancer* be the Ascendant of *Holland*, as you have heard proved, then must *London*, *Englands Metropolis*, be their *Malus Genius*, ♅, being their 12th House, and the Horoscope of that Honourable and Populous City. And I doubt not, but by the *United Forces* of their *Power*, and *Purses*, they will be found so unanimously to oppose the *Dutch*, that in the overthrow of them, they themselves shall enjoy a *Glorious Peace*, with abundant Plenty of *Trade* and *Treasure*; the only *Honor* of so *Great* a *City*.

The *valour* of our *Englishmen* cannot be startled at a *Holland Insolence*. *God* is of our *side*, because our *Cause* is *Just*. The *Heavens* are of our *side*, they promise *prosperous Influences*.

And for our *Gallant Seamen*, we have a Wise, Merciful, and Pious *Soveraign*, that hath taken such care of his *Subjects*, (witness his *Majesties Declaration*, *&c.* upon these occasions,) that nothing is, or can be wanting,

wanting, to give all due Encouragement for *Engliſhmen* to be Conſtant *Engliſhmen*, upon ſo good and laudable a ground, and in ſo good a *Cauſe*, as is this *Juſt* and *Honourable War*, now undertaken againſt the *Hollanders*.

And, for a full Period to this diſcourſe, I cannot but take notice of the Singular and Commendable Courage of a Young Ingenious Seaman, that had the misfortune to looſe a Leg in his *King* and *Countries* Service againſt the *Dutch*, *Anno* 1666. who, by *Gods Mercy*, and our *Soveraigns Care*, was preſerved alive; and for his loſs was allowed a handſom Penſion to live on. This Perſon, in ſence of ſo great a Care taken of him in his Extremity, and in Gratitude together, [although he might have pleaded the loſs of a Limb; but none went about to compel him, he being a Member of St. *Bartholomews Hoſpital*] is, of his own accord, gone to Sea again, in an aſſured Confidence of being revenged for his former unfortunate Loſs.

An Example of ſuch eminent *Gratitude* and *Courage*, that I could not but commend it to the conſideration of all *Loyal-Hearted Engliſh-Men*.

ERRATA.

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